



## **ISSUES/DESCRIPTIONS REPORT**

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**WSBK-TV Boston**

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Attached are listings of broadcasts or broadcast segments, which, in the station's judgment, reflect the station's most significant programming treatment of ascertained community issues during the preceding three-month period.

### **PROGRAM INDEX**

**WBZ-TV News at 10PM on TV38** – WBZ-TV News at 10PM on TV38 is anchored by Kate Merrill and Jack Williams. The newscast delivers a contemporary half-hour of news filled with comprehensive coverage of local politics, community events, medical updates, and issues of importance to the community. In addition, issues related to government, politics, business, financial issues, corruption and crime are explored in-depth during the station's newscasts.

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## **WBZ-TV News at 10PM on TV38**

### **Business and Political:**

4/2/12

Jim Armstrong reports former state treasurer Tim Cahill has been indicted for fraud.

4/3/12

Jim Armstrong reports on protests at the state house against MBTA fare hikes.

4/5/12

Karen Anderson reports the state says all of the lights in the big dig tunnel must be replaced, costing the state millions of dollars. Additionally, Christina Hager reports Google is creating electronic glasses that act like a smartphone.

4/10/12

Karen Anderson reports the Republican candidate for president Rick Santorum drops out of the race.

4/30/12

Jon Keller reports Middleboro is proposing a crackdown on swearing, punishable by fines.

5/3/12

Kathy Curran reports former gubernatorial candidate Christy Mihos now says he is penniless. Additionally, David Wade reports the world's tallest man comes to Boston to try and be fit with specialized shoes by Reebok.

5/8/12

Jim Armstrong reports New England Patriots' owner Robert Kraft announces he will suspend efforts to put a casino in Foxboro.

5/10/12

Jim Armstrong reports lawmakers are upset that Onyango Obama is able to retain his driver's license despite his DUI and being an illegal immigrant.

5/15/12

Kate Merrill reports a popular ice cream stand in Carlisle is closed because of a land dispute with the state.

5/16/12

Jim Smith reports homeowners in Leicester have to pay for property linked to former owners. Additionally, Ken MacLeod reports Curt Schilling's 38 Studios wants more money from Rhode Island to keep the company in business.

5/17/12

Jim Armstrong previews the Facebook IPO.

5/22/12

Christina Hager reports an investigation is being made into the Facebook IPO; Morgan Stanley may have withheld information from the public.

5/23/12

Jim Armstrong reports new pet foster home regulations could leave many dogs and cats without homes.

5/24/12

Jim Armstrong reports 38 Studios lays off hundreds of employees. Also, Kathy Curran reports Christy Mihos details how he blew his fortune on prostitutes.

5/25/12

Christina Hager reports Pilgrim Power Plant had its license renewed for another 20 years.

6/1/12

Beth Germano reports the MBTA is dealing with its second major delay in as many days.

6/5/12

Karen Anderson reports Suffolk Downs is making a push for a casino.

6/25/12

Christina Hager reports Whitey Bulger claims the feds gave him license to kill; this comes as a judge allows his murder trial to be delayed.

### **Health and Medical:**

4/11/12

Bill Shields reports a Braintree man is revived four times after having a heart attack before finally being saved.

5/2/12

Jim Armstrong reports former NFL star Junior Seau commits suicide.

5/10/12

Bill Shields reports a flight from Philadelphia had to be diverted to Logan after a passenger's medical condition caused him to go crazy.

5/16/12

Jon Keller reports on the suicide of Mary Kennedy, estranged wife of Robert Kennedy.

5/31/12

Kate Merrill reports a man put on spray sunscreen, started grilling and then caught fire.

6/6/12

Kate Merrill reports the FDA is looking into spray on sunscreen after WBZ's exclusive report on the fire dangers of spray sunscreen.

6/14/12

Ken MacLeod reports ten South Shore beaches are shut down due to high bacteria counts. Additionally, Beth Germano reports two patients who got Hepatitis C at a New Hampshire hospital are now suing.

6/15/12

Christina Hager reports patients are angered that they have to be tested for Hepatitis C a second time in the New Hampshire hospital scare.

6/29/12

Beth Germano reports rotting seaweed on beaches in Marshfield is turning into a toxic problem for residents.

### **Law, Safety and Security:**

4/2/12

Christina Hager reports police are boosting patrols in the North End after another woman is attacked.

4/4/12

Joe Shortsleeve reports a Romanian man was busted here in Boston for an international scam, selling cars online and never delivering them.

4/5/12

Jim Armstrong reports a Malden convenience store owner says he is forced to close because of constant robberies and a high crime rate.

4/6/12

Beth Germano reports on hate crimes in Brighton, swastikas were painted on and carved into cars.

4/9/12

Christine Hager reports a Boston University fraternity is accused on hazing after five students are found duct taped and nearly naked in the basement of a fraternity house. Additionally, Jim Armstrong reports on a newlywed murder-suicide in Hopkinton.

4/10/12

Christina Hager reports the Boston University fraternity members are facing expulsion for hazing.

4/12/12

Kate Merrill reports the Malden mini mart that closed because of robberies and crime is back open.

4/13/12

Lauren Lamanczyk reports the Greenland, NH police chief was shot and killed and an investigation is ongoing into the deadly shooting.

4/16/12

Jim Armstrong reports a South Boston grandmother was murdered in her home. Also, Paul Burton reports on a road rage incident in New Hampshire.

4/17/12

Lauren Lamanczyk reports new evidence has been released in the deadly police shooting in New Hampshire.

4/18/12

Beth Germano reports a family is suing National Grid after a truck toppled over on their minivan.

4/19/12

Beth Germano reports a two-year-old Gloucester girl disappeared at Rockport Beach. Additionally, Jim Armstrong reports a Boston University graduate student was shot and killed on the street.

4/24/12

Jim Armstrong has an exclusive interview with the family of Trudie Hall after the woman's death is ruled a murder. Additionally, Lauren Lamanczyk reports the Redhook brewery is investigating the death of a worker killed when a keg erupted.

4/25/12

Beth Germano reports divers are searching the water off Rockport for the missing Gloucester girl.

4/26/12

Jim Armstrong reports a Franklin teen was sucker punched and it was captured on a smart phone. Additionally, Lauren Lamanczyk reports a New Hampshire postal worker was arrested for spanking kids and inviting them into his truck.

4/27/12

Jim Armstrong reports the Franklin teen who sucker punched a classmate is facing criminal charges.

4/30/12

Jim Smith reports a war veteran was gunned down on the street of Boston after returning home from two tours overseas.

5/1/12

Karen Anderson reports a Saugus woman and her elderly mother were found dead behind a dumpster at an elementary school.

5/2/12

Karen Anderson reports a Lynn man accused of killing his mother and grandmother was busted at the Canadian border.

5/4/12

Christina Hager reports Boston police are looking for help to identify four men seen in surveillance video in connection with the murder of a Revere soldier.

5/8/12

Karen Anderson reports Rhode Island airport security uncovered gun parts and ammunition hidden in stuffed teddy bears; turns out it was a plot by a woman to get back at her husband.

5/10/12

Ken MacLeod reports authorities may be on the cusp of solving the multi-million dollar art heist at the Elizabeth Gardner museum.

5/14/12

Jim Armstrong reports women are being targeted for their smart phones on city streets. Additionally, Paul Burton talks with a Boston University student who witnessed the bus crash that killed his classmates.

5/18/12

Jim Armstrong reports a Manchester, New Hampshire community is being warned to be on the look out for a mountain lion. Additionally, Christina Hager reports thieves are stealing catalytic converters from cars, including at a dealership in Littleton.

5/21/12

Karen Anderson reports a missing Harvard business school student may have drowned in Portland, Maine. Also, Christina Hager reports a dead dog is found mangled and burned in a Manchester, New Hampshire park.

5/22/12

Karen Anderson reports a passenger on a JetBlue flight told crew members she had a device implanted in her causing the plane to be diverted to a Maine airport.

5/23/12

Beth Germano reports a Haverhill sixth grader could face criminal charges after trying to attack a teacher with scissors. Additionally, Ken MacLeod reports a long time Sudbury teacher is accused of throwing a student to the ground.

5/25/12

Beth Germano reports a warning to residents in Norwood after a woman was attacked and pulled into the woods.

5/28/12

Christina Hager reports a black bear has been seen wandering Cape Cod, the first time a bear has been spotted there.

5/30/12

Christina Hager reports police are searching for a thief who tried to steal copper from a Haverhill substation but got shocked instead. Additionally, Beth Germano reports on the investigation into the murders of two South Boston roommates.

5/31/12

Jim Armstrong reports five people are injured when they were hit by a car while waiting in line at a soup kitchen. Additionally, Christina Hager reports two MBTA police officers help a father and daughter after a car crash in the big dig tunnel.

6/4/12

Karen Anderson reports from the vigil for a teen girl killed in a shooting on Cambridge Street.

6/5/12

Christina Hager reports a young boy is injured in a hit and run in Brockton.

6/6/12

Beth Germano has an exclusive interview with the woman who was carjacked outside a grocery store in Brookline. Additionally, Christina Hager reports a murder trial sparks violence outside a courthouse in Boston where four people were stabbed.

6/7/12

Christina Hager reports two planes nearly hit each other at Logan airport. Additionally Kathy Curran reports investigators are using a new technology to find the killer of Molly Bish. Also, Jim Armstrong reports the Braintree police department has shut down its K-9 unit after the dogs became overly aggressive.

6/8/12

Christina Hager has an exclusive interview with the man stabbed after the Celtics/Heat game. Additionally, Ken MacLeod reports on a robbery at a Malden pizza shop.

6/11/12

Christina Hager reports a group is stealing from donation bins then selling the items on line.

6/12/12

Christina Hager reports Catherine Greig, the girlfriend of Whitey Bulger, is sentenced to eight years in prison. Additionally, Ken MacLeod reports on a home invasion on a Westminster disabled man.

6/13/12

Jim Smith reports a Roxbury church was broken into by thieves banging a hole through the wall of a drug store.

6/18/12

Jim Smith reports Roger Clemens is acquitted on charges he lied to Congress about steroid use.

6/19/12

Bill Shields reports the man wanted for stealing from hundreds of people in Metro west is finally busted.

6/20/12

Christina Hager reports great white sharks have returned to dine on seals off Chatham.

6/21/12

Christina Hager reports a little girl nearly drown at Carson Beach in Boston during the sweltering heat.

6/22/12

Christina Hager reports a Brockton family is offering a reward after their young son was injured in a hit and run. Additionally, Jim Smith reports a warning to pet owners after a dog is injured on an escalator at an MBTA train station.

6/26/12

Christina Hager reports a woman was beaten outside a liquor store in Lynn for her purse.

6/27/12

Jim Armstrong reports an off-duty Boston police officer, who hit and badly injured a woman while speeding drunk, is now facing charges.

6/28/12

Jim Armstrong reports nine people, mostly teens, were swept out to sea off the Sandwich coast and had to be rescued by the Coast Guard. Also, Beth Germano reports a Rochester woman is heartbroken after thieves broke into her home and stole her beloved dog.

6/29/12

Jim Armstrong reports a bank robber went into a Newton bank and started squirting a green liquid, turning the robbery into a hazmat scare.



## **Community and Culture:**

4/11/12

Jim Armstrong interviews a Boston University student who wrote an article on how Boston University's bad publicity is being blown out of proportion.

4/13/12

Jim Armstrong reports from the vigil for victims in the Greenland, New Hampshire shooting.

4/18/12

Christina Hager reports on the wake for the police chief killed in New Hampshire.

4/19/12

Lauren Leamanczyk reports from the Greenland, New Hampshire police chief's funeral. Additionally, Ken MacLeod reports on the crowds that were allowed on the field at Fenway to celebrate the park's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

4/20/12

Beth Germano reports family and friends are still holding out hope to find the missing Gloucester girl that vanished at Rockport Beach. Additionally, Christine Hager reports Fenway celebrates its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

4/23/12

Christina Hager reports on a disgusting trend against MBTA bus drivers – passengers spitting on the workers. Also, Karen Anderson reports tenants at a Marlboro condo have lost everything in a fire.

4/25/12

Bill Shields reports a driver loses control over the high prices at the gas pump.

4/27/12

Kate Merrill reports the community donates items to the Marlboro couple that lost everything in a fire.

5/1/12

Christina Hager reports a Florida man accused of murdering two members of his family was arrested on his way to Framingham to take out his former bosses that fired him.

5/3/12

Christina Hager reports the Adam Sandler movie production removed a request to ruin the Marblehead High School football field after public outcry over the plan.

5/4/12

Jim Armstrong reports a warning about hypnotist robbers targeting older people in Chinatown.

5/8/12

Jim Smith reports a brave pit bull is being credited for pulling her owner off train tracks as a train was coming towards her.

5/9/12

Beth Germano reports the voice of the Red Sox Carl Beane was killed in a car crash. Additionally, Jim Armstrong reports on the Harvard baseball team's viral video of a choreographed routine to Carly Rae Jespen's song "Call Me Maybe."

5/11/12

Beth Germano reports a Gloucester family holds a vigil for the toddler that vanished from a Rockport beach.

5/17/12

Karen Anderson reports on the death of Donna Summer, a native of Boston.

5/28/12

Bill Shields reports Sudbury remembers Lt. Scott Milley, who was killed in the line of duty.

5/29/12

Jim Armstrong reports the killing of a turkey at a Cambridge cemetery has many people concerned.

6/1/12

Jim Armstrong reports on the one year anniversary of the tornadoes that hit Springfield and Brimfield. Additionally, Karen Anderson interviews the family of the woman killed when saving her daughter from the tornadoes one year earlier.

6/4/12

Jim Armstrong reports homeowners are dealing with flooding for a second night in a row.

6/18/12

Bill Shields speaks with the Lynn hockey mom who ran onto the ice during a fight.

6/19/12

Christina Hager reports a North Andover family took in a fawn they found in their garage and nursed it back to health before releasing it back into the woods.

6/26/12

Jim Armstrong reports the Cape Cod bear transplanted to central Massachusetts miraculously found its way to Brookline, where it was tranquilized and released in western Massachusetts.

6/27/12

Christina Hager reports Worcester is trying to crack down on panhandlers in the city.

## **Non-News Programming:**

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### **What’s in Our Community**

4/11/12: What’s in Our Community highlights “The Military Friends Foundation,” which provides support to families of the Massachusetts National Guard and reservists as well as families of fallen heroes. Sergeant Ray Regan came in to create awareness about Military Friends being funded by voluntary donations on the state income tax form.

5/16/12: What’s in Our Community highlights the Phantom Gourmet Hot Dog Safari, an entire day of food and fun for the whole family that benefits The Joey Fund and cystic fibrosis. Dan Andelman, host of Phantom Gourmet, discusses the event and how it has helped bring attention and funding to the fight to cure cystic fibrosis.

6/6/12: What’s in Our Community highlights “Operation Able,” an organization that has been on a mission since 1982 to help people 45 and older get back to work. President and CEO Joan Cirillo discusses the organization’s programs and how much they can help people struggling to find jobs.

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